



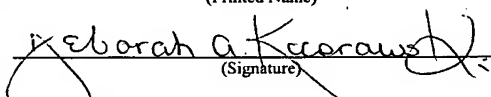
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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified patent application.

[ X ] Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 (18 pages).

[ X ] Replacement Drawing Sheet (1 Sheet, Figures 3, 4, 5).

[ X ] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims As Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Additional Claims Fee	
Total Claims:	34	-	34	=	0	x	\$50.00	=		\$0.00
Independent Claims:	3	-	3	=	0	x	\$200.00	=		\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:							+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL									=	\$0.00

☐ The Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

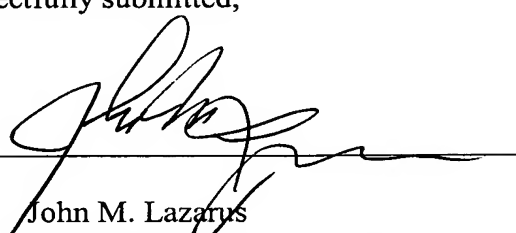
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